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SUBJECT: GDR HUMANITARIAN CASE: RUH ENGEL/ERWIN KNOP

REF:(A) STATE 297476,(B) BERLIN 6947

1. EMBASSY RECEIVED LETTER FROM ENGEL IN DRESDEN ON
JANUARY 15, SAYING THAT, ON JANUARY 13, SHE WAS INFORMED
THAT HER APPLICATION TO MARRY ERWIN KNOP AND IMMIGRATE
TO THE U.S. WILL BE APPROVED. ON JANUARY 20, 1976,
SHE MUST RETURN AGAIN TO THE DRESDEN AUTHORITIES FOR
DETAILS. SHE APPARENTLY HAS ALSO BEEN TOLD THAT THE
MARRIAGE MUST OCCUR IN THE GDR.

2. IT IS QUIET LIKELY THAT THE EMBASSY NOTE REFERRED
TO INREF(B) ASSISTED IN THE RESOLUTION OF THECASE
THUS FAR. WE NOTE, HOWEVER, THAT KNOP MUST STILL TRAVEL
TO THE GDR FOR A MARRIAGE CEREMONY, EVEN THOUGH OUR NOTE
INDICATED TRAVEL BY ENGEL TO THE U.S. FOR MARRIAGE THERE
WAS DESIRED BY THE PERSONS IN QUESTION.

3. THE EMBASSY IS PREPARED TO FOLLOW UP THIS MATTER BY
NOTE AND ASK FOR AUTHORIZATION OF ENGEL TO TRAVEL TO U.S.

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ON FIANCEE VISA. HOWEVER, BEFORE WE DO SO, WE REQUEST

THE DEPARTMENT TO QUERY KNOP TO DETERMINE IF THIS
IS STILL HIS WISH. MS. ENGEL SAID SHE INFORMED KNOP
TELEGRAPHICALLY OF GDR DECISION ON JANUARY 13.

4. DEPARTMENT PLEASE ADVISE OF KNOP'S WISHES ASAP.

5. CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST- SENATOR JOHN V. TUNNEY.COOPER

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